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SUBJ: QATTARA DEPRESSION PROJECT

REF: (A) BONN 6805, (B) CAIRO 7003, (C) CAIRO 6731

1. IN DISCUSSION WITH FRG ECONCOOPMIN OFFICIAL, WE
WERE INFORMED THAT FRG HAS STILL NOT OFFICIALLY TOLD
THE EGYPTIAN GOVERNMENT THAT THE FRG REFUSES TO GO
FORWARD WITH THE FEASIBILITY STUDY OF THE QATTARA
DEPRESSION PROJECT. INSTEAD, COOPMIN HAS ASKED ALEX
MOELLER, FORMER FRG FINANCE MINISTER AND PRESENTLY
ECONOMIC ADVISER TO PRESIDENT SADAT, TO ASSESS SADAT'S
ATTITUDE TOWARD THE PROJECT. MOELLER WAS IN BONN
LAST WEEK AND LEFT ON APRIL 30 FOR CAIRO.

2. COOPMIN IS FULLY AWARE OF DEPPRIMIN SULTAN'S
OPTIMISTIC ATTITUDE REGARDING GERMAN WILLINGNESS TO
PURSUE THE FEASIBILITY STUDY. AS REPORTED REF C FRG
AMBASSADOR IN CAIRO SAW SULTAN AND AMBASSADOR
SUBSEQUENTLY REPORTED TO BONN THAT SULTAN IS NOT
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DISCOURAGED BY HIS TRIP TO BONN.

3. OUR COOPMIN SOURCE SAID THAT GERMAN GOVERNMENT
MINISTRIES ARE FULLY BEHIND A TOTAL STOPPAGE OF FURTHER
STUDY OF THE PROJECT. THE ONLY CRACK IN THE ARMOR
AROSE DURING SULTAN'S VISIT WHEN AN OFFICIAL OF THE
KREDITANSTALT FUER WIEDERAUFBAU (AN INDEPENDENT

CAPITAL AID IMPLEMENTATION AGENCY) TOLD SULTAN THAT THE RESULTS OF THE FEASIBILITY STUDY COULD BE INTERPRETED IN VARIOUS WAYS. THIS ADMISSION MAY HAVE ENCOURAGED SULTAN TO TAKE A HARD LINE WITH FRAU SCHLEI, WHO BACKED AWAY FROM A CONFRONTATION WITH SULTAN.

4. USE OF MOELLER WAS APPARENTLY SEIZED UPON AS THE RESULTS OF THE SULTAN VISIT TO BONN BECAME CLEAR. COOPMIN IS NOW WAITING FOR A REPORT FROM MOELLER BEFORE TAKING ITS NEXT STEP.
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